HOWE OF CAVERSWALL, STAFFS

ARMS:

CREST:

Alexander Howe B.D. (rector of Draycott-in-the-Moors) c1583-1649
Howe, born about 1583 in Devon, is of unknown parentage. He studied at Oxford where on 20 Jan 1597.8 he was a student at Exeter College and matriculated but later migrated to Corpus Christi college. At Oxford he graduated B.A. on 7 Jun 1602 (M.A., 2 May 1606) (B.D., 25 May 1615). On 22 May 1608 he was ordained deacon by Oxford and on 11 Jun 1609 ordained priest by Gloucester *pro* Lichfield. In 1610 he was a fellow at Corpus Christi. On 10 Jun 1614 he was instituted rector of Draycott-in-the-Moors. On 16 Nov 1618 he received a faculty office dispensation for plurality and on 17 Nov 1618 after presentation by (? Ralph Brown of Meir in Caverswall, Staffs "gentleman" 1563-1642) he was, *plurally*, instituted as vicar of Caverswall. On 21 Aug 1626 he was collated prebendary of Lichfield Ufton Decani (and installed 26 Aug). On 24 Jan 1637 he was licensed to preach at Draycott-in-the-Moors and in the dioceses of Lichfield & Hereford. From 5 Feb 1643.4 his prebend was abolished but he continued as *compliant* minister of Draycott and Caverswall. He was probably not allowed to continue as a pluralist and likely resigned at Caverswall perhaps about 1646. Apparently a *committed* presbyterian, he signed the *Staffordshire testimony* of Jul 1648 as "Alexand Howe Rector de Dreycott en lee Moores". Still in office at Draycott Howe died, aged about 66, in (? about Mar) 1649 and was buried there. An inscribed monument was placed in (or near) the church. Howe married on 4 Nov 1620 at Cubley, Derbys to Ellen Bennett dau of Edward Bennett by whom he had 1 son - Alexander Howe of Caverswall, Staffs gentleman c1621-1667. A granddaughter Sarah was the wife of George Newton (rector of Cheadle, Cheshire) c1652-.... [Need to check will for books]

Alexander Howe B.D. (rector of Draycott-in-the-Moors, Staffs) c1583-1649 1618-1649
b c1583 Devon *son of ----- Howe commoner*
m 4 Nov 1620 Cubley, Derbys: Ellen Bennett dau of Edward Bennett; m2 [? Thomas Porter of Cheadle, see Howe's
will]; i Draycott-in-the-Moors; M.I.;
i Draycott-in-the-Moors; M.I.; Will (Lichfield) 4 Feb 1648.9/21 Dec 1649
("of Devon, pleb.", aged 15, matriculated from Exeter College, Oxford) 20 Jan 1597.8 [FOSTER]
(B.A., Corpus Christi, Oxford) 7 Jun 1602 [FOSTER]
(M.A.) 2 May 1606
(ordained deacon by Oxford) 22 May 1608
(ordained priest by Gloucester *pro* Lichfield) 11 Jun 1609
(fellow, Corpus Christi, Oxford) 1610
(rector, Draycott-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 10 Jun 1614
- (instituted) 10 Jun 1614
- (in office) 26 Aug 1616
- (licensed to preach at Draycott-in-the-Moors and in the dioceses of Lichfield & Hereford) 24 Jan 1637

(*compliant* minister, Draycott-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 10 Jun 1614
- (continued in office as a presbyterian minister) 1644
- (a militant presbyterian, signed the Staffordshire Testimony) 1648 "Alexand Howe Rector de Dreycott en lee Moores"

(B.D.) 25 May 1615
(vicar, Caverswall, Staffs) 17 Nov 1618-d
- (presented by Thomas[sic] Brown of Caverswall, Staffs) [? Ralph Brown of Meir in Caverswall, Staffs "gentleman" 1563-1642]
- (dispensation - faculty office grant - 16 Nov 1618) [CCEd]
- (instituted) 17 Nov 1618

(*compliant* minister, Caverswall, Staffs)
- (continued in office as a presbyterian minister) 1644
- (will does not mention Caverswall)
- (replaced in office) a3 Oct 1649

(prebendary, Lichfield Ufton Decani) 21 Aug 1626-Feb 1644
- (collated) 21 Aug 1626 [B/A/1/16 f51]
- (installed) 26 Aug 1626
- (in office) 30 Oct 1632 [Lamb Reg Abbot III f58]

chn: Alexander Howe b c1621 [Alexander Howe of Caverswall, Staffs gentleman c1621-1667 **[SLG]**]

(4 Nov 1620 Cubley, Derby) Alexander Howe & Ellen Bennett dau of Edward Bennett
(4 Feb 1648.9) Alexander Howe Batcheloure in Divinitie & rector of the Church of Draycott in the Moores ... wife Ellen ... sonne Alexander H ... brother in lawe John Michell of Lippett, Devon [much more] ... to Mr Thomas Porter of Chedull parishe one booke called Howells exposition uppon the epistlle of S Paule to the Thessalonians ... Mr Ridgeway preacher of Gods holie woords att Milwich ... [much more to do regarding books etc]
(1649) (Gravestone, Draycott-in-the-Moors) (1) The Body of Alexander How bachlour in divinity some time fellow of Corpus Christi Colledg in Oxford and Parson of Draycot who dyed --- (2) Here lyeth the body of Ellin the widow of Thomas ----- who was wife of Alexander How who died the --- April ---- [Printed PR p15]
(1915) (Draycott) 10 Jun 1614 w.p. 21 Dec 1649 Alex Howe B.D. 10 - 10 Howe. See Caverswall. [1915 p83-4]
(1915) (Caverswall) 17 Nov 1618 w.p. 21 Dec 1649 Alexander Howe B.D. 5 - 5 Howe. Matric. at Exeter College, Oxford, as commoner from co. Devon, M.A. 1606, B.D. 1615 Corpus Christi, Oxford (Foster), rector of Draycott-in-the-moors 1614-49 prebendary of Ufton decanni 1626-49, signed testimony 1648. [1915 p51-2]
(1948) HOW, ALEXANDER (42). M.A. (Ox.). Preb. of Lichfield. R. of Draycott in the Moors, 1614. Signed Testimony of Staffs, Presbyterian Minrs., 1648, Will (Lichf. 21 Dec. 1649). [Matthews (1948) p323]
(Foster) Howe, Alexander, of Devon, pleb. EXETER COLL., matric. 20 Jan., 1597-8, aged 15 ; B.A. from CORPUS CHRISTI COLL. 7 June, 1602, M.A. 2 May, 1606, B.D. 25 May 1615, rector of Draycott, co. Stafford, 1614, vicar of Carswell 1618, canon of Lichfield 1627. See St. Paul's S.R. 30; & Foster's Index Eccl.

Alexander Howe of Caverswall, Staffs gentleman c1621-1667

b c1621 *son of Alexander Howe B.D. (rector of Draycott-in-the-Moors, Staffs) c1583-1649 [SCD] and Ellen Bennett*
dau of Edward Bennett
m c1653 Joyce Brown dau of Ralph Brown of Meir in Caverswall, Staffs "gentleman" 1598-1670 [SLG];
c 15 Jun 1628 Caverswall; i 31 Jan 1662.3 Caverswall
Will *of Caverswall, Staffs gentleman* (Lichfield) 8 Oct 1667/8 Apr 1668
chn: Joyce Howe [coheir] b c1653; m 22 Oct 1676, Draycott-in-the-Moors: Ralph Porter of Stallington in Stone,
Staffs gentleman c1653-....
Ellin Howe [coheir] b c1654; [??? 1679 Stafford: Ralph Eles]
Sarah Howe [coheir] b c1655; m 12 Jul 1680 Rolleston: George Newton (rector of Cheadle, Cheshire) c1652-....
Alexander Howe b c1656

(8 Apr 1668) Alexander Howe of Caverswall gent ... son Alexander (under 21) ... daughters Ellen and Sarah ... Mr John Browne brother in law ... father in law Mr Ralph Browne ... mother Mrs Ellen Porter ... sisters [sisters-in-law] Mrs Abigail Smith ... Mrs Clowes ... Mrs Launders ... Inventory 29 Nov 1667 £169/5/10;
(22 Oct 1676, Draycott-in-the-Moors) Mr Ralph Porter of Stallington & Mrs Joyce How of Careswall
6. Joyce (bapt. [at Caverswall] 15 June 1628 ; dead 1665 ?), mar. Alexander Howet (dead 1669), ex'or under John Browne's will 1665. Issue :- F. 1. Alexander Howe, 2. Joyce Howe, 3. Ellin Howe, 4. Sarah Howe,
legatees under their grandfather Ralph Browne's will 1669, who bequeathed £20 to be equally divided between them. [MGH 3 p8]
The Woodhouse, which lay north of Longton to the east of what is now the junction of Anchor Road and Wood Street, occurs in 1649 when it was sold by Thomas Bagnall and Richard Heath of Newcastleunder-Lyme and John Heath of Clavering (Essex) to Henry Goringe of Kingstone parish and Thomas Lovatt of Callowhill in the same parish. In 1652 Simon Degge of Callowhill, William Farmer of Stafford, and Christopher Smyth of Callowhill conveyed it to Alexander Howe of Caverswall. Alexander Howe's daughter and coheir, Sarah, married the Revd. George Newton, who was dealing with the Woodhouse by fine in 1686 and settled it on his daughters and coheirs Alice and Elizabeth Newton in 1714. It was sold by the Newtons in 1716 to Richard Hulme of Adderley Green and Thomas Baggaley of Longton. [VCH (Longton)]

George Newton (rector of Cheadle, Cheshire) c1652-....
m 12 Jul 1680 Rolleston: Sarah Howe dau and coheir of Alexander Howe of Caverswall, Staffs gentleman c1621-1667 [SLG]
(aged 17, matriculated from Brasenose, Oxford) 2 Apr 1669
(B.A.) 1672
(Rector, Cheadle, Cheshire) 1674
(M.A.) 1675
(Rector, Prestbury, Cheshire) 1675
(a non-juror, deprived) 1690
chn: Alice Newton
Elizabeth Newton